## Focus on Student Authors

## Becoming authors might not top the list of aspirations for WHS juniors and seniors, but Creative Writing students added that accomplishment to their resumes last school year.

## One of the Creative Writing units focused on planning and producing a children’s book for second graders. This unit involved developing a character and plotline, writing the manuscript, planning the storyboard, and finally producing the pages for a 14-page book.

## These books were then shared with second grade school students at Anne Sullivan.

## “This one of my favorite units and helped me understand the process involved in authoring a book.” *~ James George, junior*

## “I have always dreamed of being an author, but now I actually am one. I loved this project!” *~ Lindsey Carmon, grad ‘10*

## “It was fun to read all the books and meet the students.” *~ Anne Sullivan, 2nd grader*

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Senior Todd Meirose reads his children’s book to one of the Anne Sullivan guests during the book reading in the WHS library. Meirose created a 14- page children’s book during his semester in Creative Writing. All four of the second grade classrooms were then guests during book readings the week of April 28.

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***Do You Know? Trivia for Writers***

* Which author won four Pulitzer Prizes?
* Who were the Beat Poets?
* If you have a dangling modifier in your writing, should you edit it out?
* What are the novel titles in the Stephanie Meyers’ series?
* Who is the author of the Harry Potter books and what is her nationality?